



CSA NEWSLETTER

WEEK 12 - 08/25/2026



Over the years, many, many people have worked at Gathering Together Farm. Today, I want to honor and remember a very special person, the late Hannah McQuire March 26th, 1989, to August 26th, 2017. Hannah died on Saturday August 26th, 2017, due to an accidental drowning on the Rogue River. Long time CSA members will remember that Hannah was the CSA coordinator from 2013 to 2015. However, Hannah started working at the farm in 2006 when she was still in High School as a dishwasher, eventually she worked in the packing shed and in the restaurant before becoming the CSA coordinator.

Hannah was a great CSA coordinator who was always thinking about CSA. Even in the off season, Hannah would pre-write newsletters and try out new recipe ideas. Hannah was very humble and didn't tell people she did this. However, I saw her doing both since she stayed with me a few times in High School being 4 years older when my parents went to Mexico and Italy. We always had fun hanging out together, eating good food and watching movies.

One particularly memorable memory is one time when a guy who seemed out of it came and knocked on the door asking if Harry Potter lived on the mountain. Hannah stayed so calm during the whole episode. I am usually calm, but that episode rattled me. Hannah and I along with my dog Maggie ended up going to Hannah's mom's house that night. Hannah was also very intelligent as she earned a degree in neuroscience from Oregon State University in 2011.

Another fun time we had together was going to Disneyland in December 2014. We went on lots of fun rides, (soaring over California was my favorite) and even went ice skating.

Veggie List

Yellow Onion Potatoes

Corn Broccoli

Cilantro Zucchini

Green Beans Lettuce

Bell peppers Cherry Tomatoes

Lemon cucumber or persian cuke

Spinach or Arugula*

***Arugula boxes have a green sticker)**



HANNAH'S NEWSLETTER

Packing Lunchboxes

Summer break is almost over, and some of our farm hands will be returning to school or college this month. I used to think summer break was just a vacation from school. In fact, the break was originally intended to be a time when kids could stay home to help their families on the farm during the part of the year when many hands are needed to help with the harvest. So, when school starts back up, it's a sign for farmers that the season must have reached it's peak and be nearing the turning point.

Labor day weekend is coming, so I know lots of your little ones (or you!) are stocking notebooks and pencils into your backpacks. If you are packing a backpack, you'll probably also be packing a lunchbox. While you are packing a lunch for your little ones, why not go ahead and pack one for yourself as well? Planning ideas for quick lunches and dinners is not only convenient, but we also make healthier choices when we choose our meals ahead of time rather than eating out. Plus, busy mornings are so much easier to endure when you are looking forward to extra yummy lunch! For me, an "extra yummy" lunch in the summer would involve a dip with dippers, a refreshing drink like tea, lemonade or kombucha, and a treat like a muffin or chocolate.

Carrots, cucumbers and peppers are perfect to go in a lunchbox with dip (or stuffing, in the case of sweet peppers), hummus, bean or tofu spreads, yogurt, sour cream or cheese spreads, egg salad, baba ganoush or roasted pepper sauce, pesto, or nut butter and honey... there are so many possibilities.



Sally, Haylee and Hannah



Haylee and Hannah

We'd love to see what you're cooking with your CSA box!

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